NEW ZEALAND CITIZENS.

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AN ACT to declare who are New Zealand Citizens, and their Powers Title. and Liabilities.

BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand 5 in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows :--

1. This Act may be cited as the New Zealand Citizens Act, 1928, Short Title and and shall come into operation on the day on which His Majesty's commencement. assent thereto is notified by the Governor-General by a Proclamation

10 published in the New Zealand Gazette.

2. Every person born in the Dominion of New Zealand shall be Definition of citizen a New Zealand citizen.

- 3. Every British subject who has the right to become a resident British subject to be in the Dominion of New Zealand shall after two years' residence citizen.
- 15 therein be a New Zealand citizen.

4. Every person who having been an alien has become Naturalized alien to naturalized in New Zealand by virtue of any powers of a New be citizen. Zealand statute, and who has after such naturalization resided two years in New Zealand or in either of the territories mentioned and

20 known as Cook Islands and Western Samoa, shall be a New Zealand citizen.

5. This statute shall not confer on any citizen who was previously Citizen rights an alien any political rights save those conferred by the statute under conferred. the authority of which he was naturalized.

- 6. Every New Zealand citizen shall be liable to be tried and Punishment of 25punished in New Zealand for any violation of the provisions of any statute, notwithstanding that the said violation took place elsewhere than in New Zealand, if he is found at any time in New Zealand or in the Cook Islands or Western Samoa.
- 7. This Act shall be reserved for the assent of His Majesty the Reservation of **3**0 statute. King.

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of New Zealand.